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## AMENDMENT

Please amend the pending application in accordance with the following particulars.

## In the Claims

The claims are amended as shown on the following pages under the heading LIST OF CURRENT CLAIMS. The list shows the status of all claims presently in the application and is intended to supersede all prior versions of the claims in the application. Any cancellation of claims is made without prejudice or disclaimer.

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## LIST OF CURRENT CLAIMS

 (Currently Amended) Method for binding a quire formed of folded sheets slipped into each other, comprising:

providing a quire formed of folded sheets slipped into each other;

at least partly rolling up the quire along the folding edge of the quire; and

providing at least one cut through the sheets of the quire as of a short distance from the folding edge of the quire, wherein every cut through a sheet of the quire defines a lip extending mainly crosswise to the folding edge of the quire and which is connected to the quire with its far end turned towards the folding edge, and wherein said lip has a widening and wherein the quire is at least partly rolled up before said cut is provided near the folding edge.

- (Previously Presented) Method according to claim 1, wherein the widening is situated at a distance from the far end of the lip turned towards the folding edge.
- (Previously Presented) Method according to claim 1, wherein the lip is made Tshaped.
- (Previously Presented) Method according to claim 1, wherein the cut through the quire is provided slantingly in relation to the surface of the quire.
- (Previously Presented) Method according to claim 1, wherein the cut is realised by means of a profiled die which is partly pushed through the quire.

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(Previously Presented) Method according to claim 5, wherein the die is pushed partly through the quire, slantingly in relation to the quire.

## 7. (Canceled)

- 8. (Previously Presented) Method according to claim 1, wherein several cuts are provided at the same distance from the folding edge of the quire, at mutual distances from each other.
- (Previously Presented) Method according to claim 1, wherein the lips are pushed through, as a result of which all the lips mesh under the bottom sheet of the quire.
- 10. (Currently Amended) Device for binding a quire, comprising a table and at least one cutting means arranged to enable the making of at least one cut in the different sheets of the quire to form a lip and wherein the table [[is]] includes a bowed portion beginning at a position directly adjacent to a recess having a shape corresponding to the contour form of the cut to be formed, such that the sheets of the quire are at least partly rolled up when placed on the table in a position to be cut, and wherein a generally U-shaped stop is placed within the bowed portion and configured to receive a folded edge of the quire therein when the quire is placed on the table in a position to be cut.
- 11. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 10, wherein the cutting means comprises a knife which can be axially moved.

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12. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 11, wherein a cutting edge of the knife which is turned towards the folding edge of the quire to be bound when in use is situated in the axial direction of movement at a larger distance from the table than an opposite cutting edge of the knife.

13. (Canceled)

14. (Canceled)

15. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 10, including clamping means on the table arranged to enable clamping of the sheets of a quire.